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PLASTIC CONTAINERS  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to further substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, the applicants respectfully request amendment of the application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.